
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING PRIVATE REFUSE COMPANIES TO REFRAIN FROM OPERATING
REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLES WITHIN AND AROUND RESIDENTIAL
ZONES IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DURING CERTAIN
TIMES OF THE WEEK.

1 WHEREAS, noise pollution in densely populated areas is a
2 health concern, with prolonged exposure to any noise above
3 ninety decibel causing gradual hearing loss; and
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5 WHEREAS, other than gradual hearing loss, there are a
6 number of health concerns with noise pollution; studies that
7 have analyzed environmental noise from vehicles have shown a
8 casual effect to adverse effects on one's health including
9 interrupted sleep; impaired memory, creativity, and judgement;
10 and weakened psychomotor skills; and
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12 WHEREAS, even when a person is asleep, continual noise sets
13 off the body's acute stress response and raises blood pressure
14 and heart rate, leading to cardiovascular disease and other
15 health issues; and
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17 WHEREAS, private refuse companies in the State are
18 unregulated in their hours of operation, resulting in the pickup
19 of refuse as early as 4:45 A.M.; and
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21 WHEREAS, in densely-populated residential areas, the pickup
22 of refuse produces high-volume noise that disturbs residents
23 during unreasonable times of the day; and
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25 WHEREAS, refuse pickup also occurs at later hours in the
26 day, including between peak rush-hour morning hours; and



1 WHEREAS, refuse collection vehicles often have a decibel
2 level of over ninety and are frequently around one hundred
3 decibels; and
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5 WHEREAS, refuse collection should be limited to certain
6 times of the day for the health and well-being of Hawaii
7 residents; now, therefore,
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
10 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
11 2020, the Senate concurring, that private refuse companies are
12 requested to refrain from operating refuse collection vehicles
13 in the City and County of Honolulu within and around residential
14 zones during certain times of the week; and
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that private refuse companies
17 conducting business in the City and County of Honolulu are
18 requested to operate refuse collection vehicles within a
19 residential zone or within one hundred feet of a residential
20 zone between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. on any
21 weekday and Saturday, and between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and
22 10:00 P.M. on Sunday and any state or federal holiday; and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
25 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President and Chief
26 Executive Officer of Honolulu Disposal Service; President and
27 Chief Executive Officer of Aloha Waste of Honolulu; President of
28 Pacific Junk Removal; Manager of Oahu Junk Removal; President of
29 Oasis Environmental Group; President of Hala Toa Mui
30 Contractors, Inc.; 1-800 Got Junk; Owner of JF Moving Services;
31 Owner of 808 Junk Removal Service; Manager of 2 Guys & a Truck,
32 LLC; Owner of Aloha Junk Man; Owner of Johnny The Mover;
33 President of West Oahu Aggregate; Managing Member of Mint Moving
34 Solutions, LLC; Owner of Sons of Aloha Movers; and Owner of
35 Murakami Junk Removal.
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